



## **Arlington Council on Aging**

### **Agenda**

*Date: Thursday September 21, 2023 Time: 6:00 pm*

***Location: This meeting will be conducted in a hybrid format. Attendees can attend in person at the Arlington Community Center Arts & Crafts Room or virtually via zoom. These meetings are open to the public and all are welcome. Please call 781-316-3401 or e-mail [KShah@town.arlington.ma.us](mailto:KShah@town.arlington.ma.us) for the link to join the meeting which can be accessed by computer with internet access or by telephone for audio access only.***

*Kristine Shah, Executive Director*

*Michael Quinn, Chair*

*Sheila Connerney, Secretary*

*The Council's primary responsibilities are to design, promote, and implement programs and services to address the needs of the community's elder population, and to coordinate existing services in the community.*

1. Call to order
  - a. Remembrance
2. Citizen's Open Forum
3. Minutes of the June 2023 meeting for approval
4. Report: Executive Director
  - a. COA Parking Permit Pilot Program
5. Report: Chair
8. Town Day Booth: September 23, 10:30am-4:30pm
9. Report: Minuteman Senior Services
10. Old Business
11. New Business
12. Other Community Announcements
13. Adjourn - **Next meeting: October 19, 2023**

## **Executive Director's Report: Kristine Shah**

### **I. A very busy summer**

#### **a. COA PARKING PERMIT PROGRAM**

- a. THANK YOU to all volunteers who assisted in the development and strategy to make this program a reality, especially Pat O'Connell and her team
- b. Select Board approved it unanimously on June 26
- c. Program Details
- d. COA created and finalized policies and procedures for program through summer months
- e. Program launched September 7
- f. COA has distributed over 600 stickers in the first two weeks

#### **b. Program attendance up 20% through summer months**

- a. Additional programs added on hottest days in air conditioned spaces.

#### **c. Rainbow LLI joined us weekly for regional workshops/programming.**

### **II. Budget Updates**

- a. Request for FY24 transfer from Sevoyan Personal Needs Fund
- b. New \$2,000 Grant from MMSS for medical transportation outside of town

### **III. Age & Dementia Friendly Initiatives, Board Member Engagement Opportunities:**

- a. Arlington 60+ Connection on ACMI: Nancy Feeney will be joining next episode to discuss "How To Be Your Own Advocate"
- b. Town Day September 23: Thank you to all who signed up for slots, still spots available, especially 12:20-2:30pm:  
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